

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
December 18, 2000**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a Special Board Meeting in Student Union Room G at The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi, on December 18, 2000, at 4:00 p.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on December 11, 2000, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this December 18, 2000 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William Sterling Crawford, Dr. Stacy Davidson, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Bryce Griffis, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely, Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., Mr. Scott Ross, and Ms. Amy Whitten. Mr. J. Roy Klumb was absent. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Carl Nicholson, President.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Ms. Whitten, seconded by Mr. Ross, with Mr. Klumb absent and not voting, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Crawford, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Mr. Klumb absent and not voting, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session**, for the reason later reported by the President in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of the *Ayers* case.

On motion by Ms. Whitten, seconded by Mr. Ross, with Mr. Klumb absent and not voting, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

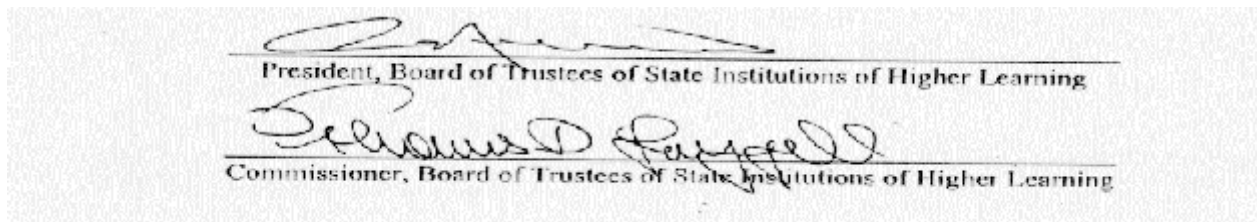
The following report on the Executive Session was given by the President:

Update on the *Ayers* case.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Ross, seconded by Ms. Whitten, with Mr. Klumb absent and not voting, the Board members voted to adjourn.



The image shows two handwritten signatures on a document. The first signature is in cursive and appears to be "Carl Nicholson, Jr.". Below it is a horizontal line, followed by the printed text "President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning". The second signature is also in cursive and appears to be "Thomas D. Russell". Below it is another horizontal line, followed by the printed text "Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning".